

Abstract

Papers Name: **The Methodology of Muhammad Yusuf In Dealing With Sunnah. A critical study.**

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Aims of the study : The study aims to analyze the methodology of Muhammad Yusuf in dealing with Prophetic Sunnah, from all of its aspects, I search about his attitudes, preaching method and confronting policy which lead to the formation of the most controversial and distorted sect in the history of West Africa.

In the **introduction**, I give the meaning of Sunnah, then I looked at the history and the bag round of Muhammad Yusuf's family, private life, his disguised attitudes, and how all these things have a direct impact on his movement from Sunnatic perspective.

In **chapter one** I, at first, looked at where his movement defer from the teachings of Sunnah generally, so I mentioned a lot of things like; lacking of reference with Sunnah out of ignorance, which leads him to mislead his people. Using the utterances of Sunnah towards unbelievers, he referred it to believers. He emerged himself as Imam which opposed the teaching of Sunnah. His disrespectfull towards leaders, and scholars.

In **chapter two** I looked at Muhammad Yusuf's misinterpretation to Hadiths, which leads him to lead his

people astray, I gathered more than 20 hadiths from his preachings.

Muhammad Yusuf through his videos and audios misinterpret these Prophetic Sayings, I give references from famous ulama from past generations on his misusing the Hadiths.

In **chapter three**, I looked at where Muhammad Yusuf offended Prophetic Sayings and teachings, which lead to the formation of Boko Haram.

And then I looked at his offences toward the Propheetics teachings like, Prophetic encouragement towards seeking knowledge which include both Islamic and so-called "Western Education". I looked at the Prophetic cautioning about giving Fatwa without knowledge, Prophetic cautioning about following the ways of Khawarij, Prophetic guiding on that pointing Muslim with any type of weapon is strictly prohibited, and lastly I looked at his offences about killing innocent people and his regarding the whole society as unbelievers.

In my **conclusion** I discussed briefly about the solutions to this most complicated doctrine in history of contemporary Nigeria.